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BY-PASS ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION
ROUTES 6-65 AREA, LAOS

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS A NEW BY-PASS ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION BETWEEN ROUTES 6 AND 65 IN THE AREA OF SAMNEUA, LAOS.

2. LOCATION:

THE WESTERN TERMINUS OF THE NEW BY-PASS IS LOCATED 1.5 NM EAST OF SAMNEUA WHERE IT JUNCTIONS WITH ROUTE 6. THE EASTERN TERMINUS IS LOCATED AT ROUTE 65, APPROXIMATELY 8 NM EAST OF SAMNEUA.

3. MISSION READOUT:

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REVEALS THE FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY:

A. A BY-PASS ROAD EXTENDS SOUTHWEST FROM ROUTE 65 AT 2026N 10411E (UTM VH158600), 1.3 NM SOUTHEAST OF THE JUNCTION OF ROUTES 6 AND 65, TO MUONG NGA AT 2025N 10410E (UTM VH147591). VEHICLE TRACKS ARE OBSERVED TO THIS POINT. THE ROAD, IN EARLY STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION, CONTINUES SOUTHWEST TO 2024N 10410E (UTM VH130565), WEST TO BAN KHANG KHO AT 2023N 10407E (UTM VH088556), THEN NORTHWEST ALONG THE NORTH BANK OF THE HOUAY SOUAN NOI (STREAM) TO ITS JUNCTION

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WITH ROUTE 6 AT 2025N 10404E (UTM VH039581), 1.5 NM EAST OF SAMNEUA. INTERMITTENT CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS NOTED ALONG THE WESTERN PORTION OF THE ROAD.

B. VEHICLE TRACKS EXTEND WEST FROM THE BY-PASS ROAD AT MUONG NGA TO A PROBABLE CAVE STORAGE AT UTM VH136590.

C. VEGETATION HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE ROAD IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS IN AN ATTEMPT AT CAMOUFLAGE. WHEN COMPLETED, THIS ROAD WILL BY-PASS MUONG LIET AND THE CHOKE POINT ON ROUTE 6, JUST SOUTH OF THE TOWN.

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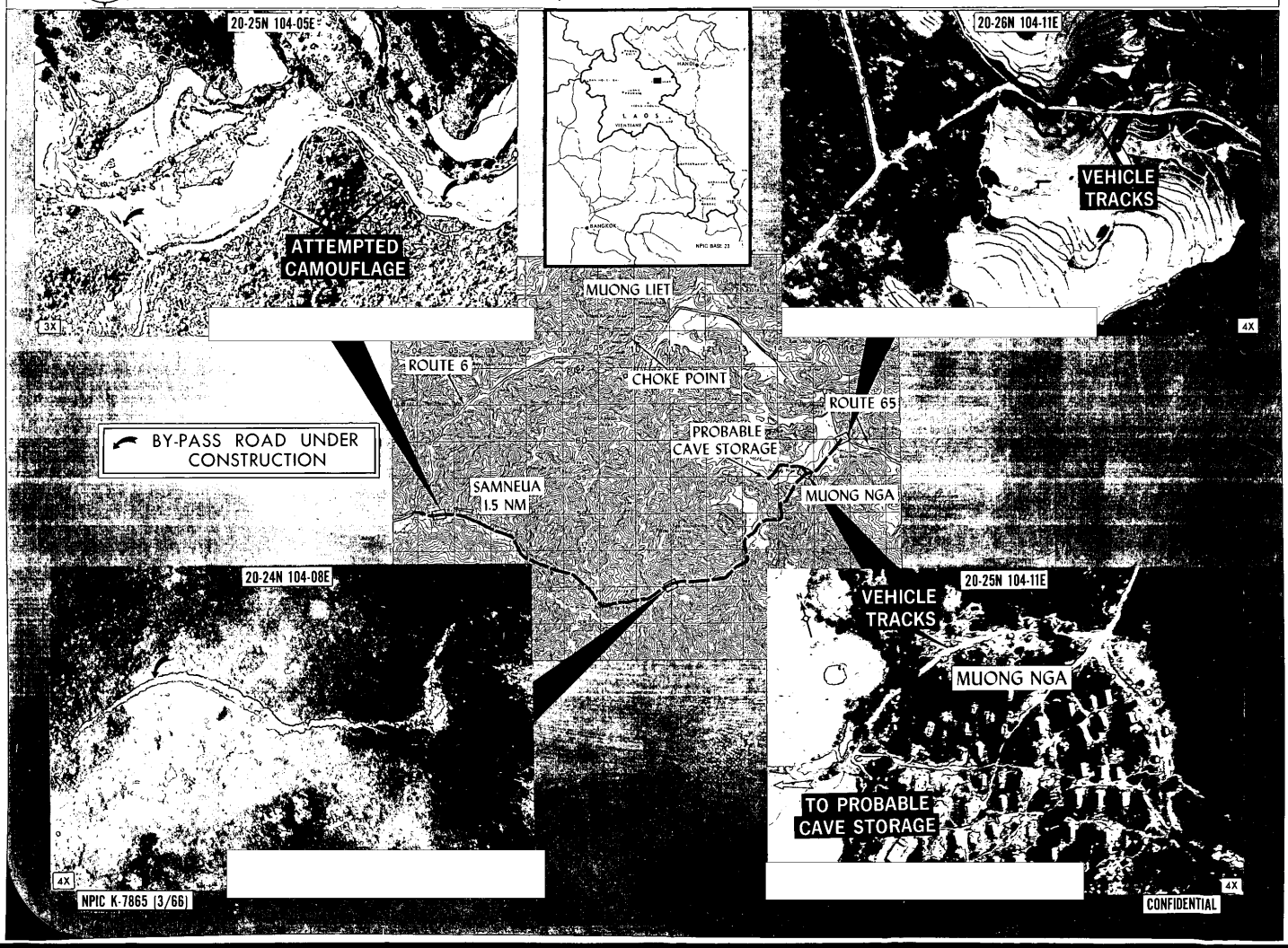

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